CITY OF BARBERTON

PY 2025 COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT

Application Workshop

Covered Today

A brief outline

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What is CDBG?

The Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) program was enacted in 1974 to provide block grant funding for community development programs. The program assists urban, suburban, and rural communities in improving housing and living conditions and expanding economic opportunities for low and moderate-income persons.





Entitlement Community

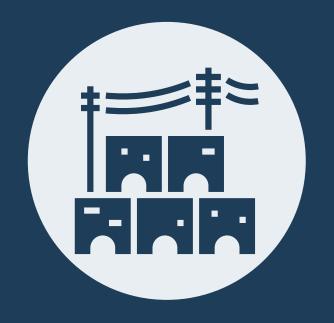
As an entitlement grantee, the City of Barberton, through the Department of Planning & Community Development (DPCD) receives Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Funds **directly** from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD).

NATIONAL OBJECTIVES

CDBG funded activities must meet one:



Benefit low/moderate income individuals;



Prevent or eliminate slums and blight; or



Meet an urgent community need.

Consolidated Plan Goals:

Provision of Decent, Safe, Sanitary, Affordable Housing

The Provision of a Suitable Living Environment

The Provision of Historic Preservation

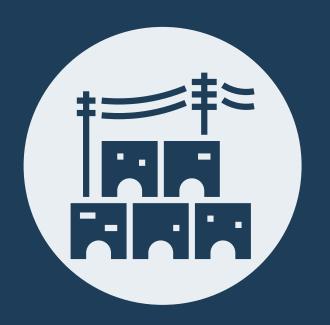
Expand Economic Development Opportunity

Digital Equality

Pandemics & States of Emergency

PROJECT OBJECTIVES

CDBG funded activities must address one:



Provision of a suitable living environment;



Provision of decent housing; or



Provision of expanded economic opportunities.

PROJECT OUTCOMES

CDBG funded activities must provide one:



Availability/Accessibility



Affordability



Sustainability

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WHO CAN BE ASSISTED?

Activities may be an area benefit if located in a low/moderate income census tract or block group.

WHO CAN BE ASSISTED? CONT.

LOW TO MODERATE INCOME

Individuals or Households that meet 80% Area Median Income located in the City of Barberton.

Income must be verified for each individual or household.

LIMITED CLIENTLE GROUPS

Individuals who are presumed to be low/moderate income.

Abused Children
Elderly Persons over 62
Battered Spouses
Disabled Adults
Homeless Persons

ELIGIBLE ACTIVITIES



Construction

Construction of public facilities or infrastructure improvements (i.e. libraries, water/sewer lines).



Rehabilitation

Rehabilitation of non/residential structures, may also include ADA accessibility projects.



Public Services

Public Services to LMI or presumed benefit individuals (i.e. job training, senior services).



Economic Development

Job creation or retention activities for LMI persons, Facade improvements to businesses.

INELIGIBLE ACTIVITIES



Construction

Construction of buildings for the general conduct of government.



Acquisiton

Acqusition of real property for a purpose not defined and/or not CDBG eligible.



Political Activities

Activities relating to politics and/or the general promotion of the community.



Higher-Income Clientle

Activities that serve primarily higher-income persons (i.e. assistance to private club facilities).

PROJECT ELIGIBILITY

SHOVEL READY:

All projects must be ready to start at the time of application.

START DATE:

The project must be completed within one (1) year, and all agreements will be made with January 1 as the effective start date.

PROJECT ELIGIBILITY

LEVERAGED FUNDS

The application requires an eighty/twenty percent (80/20) match. The grant can pay up to a maximum of eighty (80%) of a project's total cost. The Applicant will be responsible for the twenty (20%) match and may use other leveraged funding sources.

GRANTS ARE REIMBURSEMENT ONLY

Agencies should have the financial capacity to provide the proposed projects until reimbursement for eligible costs is available.

APPLICATION PROCESS

DPCD:

Department of Planning & Community Development

PRC:

Project Review Committee APPLICATION SUBMITTED

Application is submitted by Applicant before February 25th at 5:00 PM.

DPCD REVIEW

DPCD will review application for CDBG eligibility and risk analysis.

PRC REVIEW

PRC will review applications by submission date and discuss application criteria.

PRC AWARDS

DPCD informs applicants of award status and sends letters of acceptance/denial.

AGREEMENT & MONITORING

Grantees must sign grant agreements and adhere to all CDBG regulations.



UNSUCCESSFUL APPLICATIONS

CHARACTERISTICS:

Missing information;

Ineligible use, clients, or location;

No matching funds;

Failure to document need;

No measurable outcomes.



SUCCESSFUL APPLICATIONS

GOOD CHARACTERISTICS:

Application is complete;

Eligible clients, location, and use of funds;

Documented need;

Evidence of Matching Funds;

Meets one of the Consolidated Plan Goals.

GREAT CHARACTERISTICS:

Collaboration with community partners;

Documented experience and/or expertise.

TIME

Is my Agency able to complete the project within one (1) year?

FUNDING

Does my Agency have the financial capacity to complete activities until reimbursement?

ITEMS TO CONSIDER

CAPACITY

Is my project shovel ready and can start at any time?

COLLABORATION

Has my Agency collaborated with partners to address common issues?

Get in Touch

We're here to help

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QUESTIONS & ANSWERS